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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROCESSING
CURRENCY BILLS AND SUBSTITUTE
CURRENCY MEDIA IN
A SINGLE DEVICE

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

As a submission in compliance with 37 C.F.R § 1.114 and in response to the Final Office Action dated March 29, 2007, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R § 1.114(d), this request for continued examination should be treated as a request to withdraw the appeal filed on July 27, 2007 and to reopen prosecution of the application before the Examiner. The initial deadline for filing an appeal brief was September 27, 2007. A petition to extend this deadline by one month to October 29, 2007 is hereby made pursuant to 37 C.F.R § 1.136(a) and § 41.37(e) with the appropriate fee.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 19 of this paper.